## PATENT APPLICATION

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For: NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES SPECIFIC FOR BACTERIAL ANTIGENS AND USES THEREOF

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated May 24, 2004, from August 24, 2004, to on or November 24, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$490.00 $^{1/2}$  is attached. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Applicants are entitled to small entity status as evidenced by the Small Entity Status Declaration filed November 1, 1999.